

Call for Pictures of Flooding Across Central Iowa

The National Weather Service Forecast Office in Des Moines, Iowa is compiling a database of flood impacts within their respective Hydrologic Service Area (HSA). River basins within the Des Moines HSA include:

- Des Moines and its tributaries
 - Raccoon River
 - North Raccoon River
 - Middle Raccoon River
 - South Raccoon River
 - East Fork Des Moines River
 - Boone River
 - Beaver Creek
 - Walnut Creek
 - Fourmile Creek
 - North River
 - Middle River
 - South River
 - Cedar Creek
 - White Breast Creek
 - English Creek
- Cedar River and its tributaries
 - Winnebago River
 - Shell Rock River
 - Beaver Creek
 - Blackhawk Creek
 - West Fork Cedar River
- Iowa River and tributaries
 - South Fork Iowa River
- South Skunk River and tributaries
 - Squaw Creek
 - Indian Creek
- Chariton River and tributaries
 - South Fork Chariton River
- Thompson River
- East Fork 102 River

For more information on the locations of these rivers, please refer to the [Advanced Hydrologic Prediction Service](#) on the [Des Moines National Weather Service homepage](#)...or consult the figure on page 3.

When submitting flooding pictures, please reference the location where the picture was taken, the time and date of the picture, and the specific river or creek name. The National Weather Service uses pictures for research, education, and to improve upon the quality of their river forecast products to better serve the public, other governmental agencies, and private companies. The National Weather Service will give credit to the photographer if your photo is used externally.

The record flooding of 2008 had a tremendous impact across much of Iowa and pictures from that event would provide a great example of how important this information is to the National Weather Service and to its operations. In addition, any flooding pictures from other events within the past 5 years would be very helpful as well. Some examples of the type of pictures we are requesting are on the second page. We are looking for specific impacts due to river flooding. For instance, if the river covers a bridge or a road, floods a residential or commercial building(s), affects a significant amount of farmland, and any other impacts that you think would be pertinent. This would include flooding due to ice jams and snow melt.

Please submit pictures via email to DMX.Spotter@noaa.gov with the subject titled Impact Flooding Pictures. You could also mail a hard copy or copies to our office:

9607 NW Beaver Drive, Johnston, IA 50131



Body of Water: Beaver Creek
Location: Merle Hay Road and Interstate 80/35,
 Johnston, IA
Date: June 12, 2008
Time: Approximately 11 am CDT



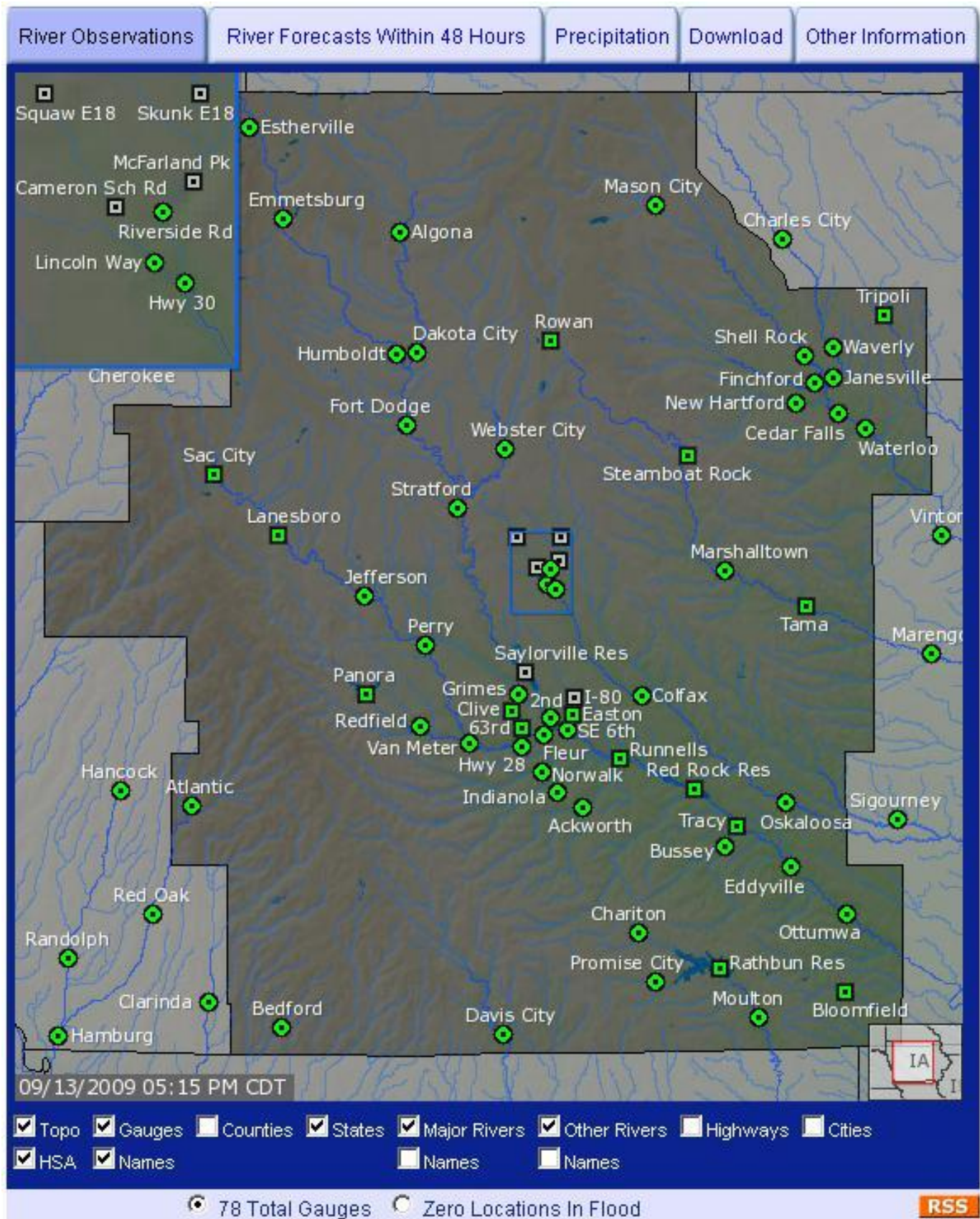
Body of Water: Des Moines River
Location: Highway T17 just south of Pella in Marion
 County Iowa
Date: June 19, 2008
Time: Approximately 1pm CDT



Body of Water: Des Moines River and Beaver Creek
Location: Johnston Drive and NW Beaver Avenue,
 Johnston, IA
Date: June 12, 2008
Time: Approximately 1030am CDT



Body of Water: Des Moines River
Location: Picture taken from Jefferson Bridge
 looking upstream. Ottumwa, Iowa
Date: June 20, 2008
Time: Approximately 11 am CDT



Des Moines Weather Forecast Office Hydrologic Service Area. If you have photos near any of these Forecast and Data Points...please submit them to DMX.spotter@noaa.gov